

FOTG Section III - Quality Criteria

RESOURCE CONCERNS	DEFINITIONS	QUALITY CRITERIA	ASSESSMENT TOOL
ANIMALS:Habitat (domestic) 1a. Food	Quantity and quality of food are not meeting the seasonal requirements of the species of concern.	Planned practices provide adequate quantity and quality of available forage to meet seasonal requirements.	National Range and Pasture Handbook, Forage Budget Worksheet, Appropriate Conservation Practice Standards
ANIMALS:Habitat (domestic) 1b. Shelter	Adequate shelter for the species of concern is not being provided.	Planned practices provide adequate shelter as needed for overall health and condition.	National Range and Pasture Handbook, Technical Expertise, Appropriate Conservation Practice Standard
ANIMALS:Habitat (domestic) 1c. Water	Adequate water quantities of required quality is not provided for the species of concern.	Planned practices provide adequate drinking water and proper distribution within a pasture/ pastures or holding facility to meet the needs of the animals.	National Range and Pasture Handbook, Technical Expertise, Appropriate Conservation Practice Standard
ANIMALS:Habitat (Wildlife) a. Food	Quantity and quality of food will be provided to meet the seasonal requirements of the species of concern	Criteria is met when planned measures provide adequate quantity and quality to meet seasonal requirements of food and its interspersions with water and cover for the species of concern.	Louisiana Wildlife Habitat Evaluation for Resource Management Systems/ Technical Expertise/Appropriate Conservation Practice Standard
ANIMALS:Habitat (Wildlife) b. Cover or Shelter	Adequate wildlife cover for the species of concern will be provided.	Criteria is met when planned measures provide adequate cover and its interspersions with food and water for the species of concern and provide for adequate cover availability for the intended use.	Louisiana Wildlife Habitat Evaluation for Resource Management Systems/ Technical Expertise/Appropriate Conservation Practice Standard
ANIMALS:Habitat (Wildlife) c. Water	Adequate quantities of water of required quality will be provided for the species of concern.	Criteria is met when planned measures provide adequate drinking water and proper distribution related to cover and food for the intended use. Where water is a limiting factor for the intended use, existing supplies will be maintained or improved, or proper distribution of new sources will be developed.	Technical Expertise/Appropriate Conservation Practice Standard

ANIMALS: Management (Wildlife) a. Population and resource balance	Numbers and kinds of wildlife will be in balance with feed, forage, space, and habitat requirements.	Criteria is met when planned measures balance the feed, forage, water, cover, space, and other habitat requirements of the planned population numbers of wildlife for their intended use. Criteria may state a minimum resource level of wildlife habitat relative to its potential that is acceptable for the intended use based upon both land user and public objectives	Wildlife Habitat Inventories/Habitat Management Plans/Technical Expertise/Appropriate Conservation Practice Standard
ANIMALS: Management (domestic) 2a. Population and resource balance	Numbers and kinds of livestock are not in balance with feed, forage, space, and habitat requirements.	Planned practices balance the feed, forage, water, cover, space, and other habitat requirements of the planned livestock numbers for their intended use.	National Range and Pasture Handbook, Technical Expertise, Appropriate Conservation Practice Standard, Forage Budget Worksheet
ANIMALS: Management (Wildlife) b. Animal Health	Proper attention is given to the health of the animal of concern. This includes such considerations as diseases, parasites, and insects.	The criteria is met when measures and management are planned that reduce to an acceptable level the effects of poisonous plants, disease, parasites, and insects on the species of concern	Wildlife Habitat Inventories/Technical Expertise/Appropriate Conservation Practice Standard
ANIMALS: Management (domestic) 2b. Animal Health	Proper attention is not given to the health of the animal of concern, which includes such considerations as diseases, parasites, and insects.	Planned practices and management are planned that reduce to an acceptable level the effects of poisonous plants, disease, parasites, and insects on the species of concern	Technical Expertise